

Director

#### Department of Pesticide Regulation



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TO: County Agricultural Commissioners

SUBJECT: NOMINATIONS FOR INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT INNOVATOR

AWARDS-DUE APRIL 30, 2007

Are you aware of a group in your county that uses innovative, reduced-risk pest management practices and takes a leadership role in promoting these practices?

#### **Background**

The Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) is looking for groups based in California that deserve recognition for their innovative approaches toward pest management. DPR recognizes these groups with Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Innovator Awards for their skill and their willingness to share information about new pest management practices. Recognition is given to both agricultural and urban groups. The 2007 innovator awards ceremony will be held in Sacramento early next year.

### Request for nominations

Your nominations are important to us. Past innovator award recipients resulted from nominations submitted by county agricultural commissioners or their staff. Please post the enclosed flyer to solicit IPM Innovator nominations from your staff and visitors to your office.

### Deadline for nominations

Nominations will be accepted through April 30, 2007. Nomination write-ups can be brief; we will obtain detailed information from the nominated groups themselves.

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## How to submit nominations

If you would like to nominate a group for an IPM Innovator Award, please complete the enclosed form and mail to:

Mr. Bob Elliott
IPM Innovators Program
Department of Pesticide Regulation
Pest Management and Licensing Branch
P.O. Box 4015
Sacramento, California 95812-4015

You may also submit nominations via the Internet. Nomination forms and information about past winners are available on DPR's Web site at <a href="http://www.cdpr.ca.gov/docs/ipminov/innovatr.htm">http://www.cdpr.ca.gov/docs/ipminov/innovatr.htm</a>.

# **Contact** information

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Bob Elliott, of my staff, at (916) 324-4156 or at belliott@cdpr.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

original signed by

David Duncan, Chief Pest Management and Licensing Branch (916) 445-3870

#### **Enclosures:**

<u>IPM Innovator Awards</u> (PDF, 139 kb) Nomination Form for IPM Innovator Award - 2007 (PDF, 9 kb)

cc: Mr. Bob Elliott, Associate Environmental Research Scientist (w/o Enclosures) Mr. James Shattuck, Agricultural Commissioner Liaison (w/Enclosures)